

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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HANNIBAL WHEATLEY, *on behalf of himself and all  
others similarly situated,* :  
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Plaintiff, : 24-CV-7312 (JAV)  
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-v- : ORDER  
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THE NEXT CHAPTER NY LLC, d/b/a TREEHOUSE, :  
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Defendant. :  
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JEANNETTE A. VARGAS, United States District Judge:

Plaintiff alleges that Defendant's website is not accessible to blind and visually impaired customers and, thus, violates Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"), 42 U.S.C. § 12181 *et seq.* By separate Order to be entered today, **the Court is referring this case to the assigned Magistrate Judge for General Pretrial Purposes, including settlement. To be clear, the referral does not encompass any dispositive motions, which will be handled by the undersigned in the normal course.**

SO ORDERED.

Dated: December 27, 2024  
New York, New York

  
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JEANNETTE A. VARGAS  
United States District Judge